

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/734,262

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(3) _____.

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(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 27 February 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic. b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 5 and 6.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed claims 1, 5-6 and advised to make claim 6 parallel to claim 1 and to amend claim 5 by inserting "storage" word in the preamble to read as "computer readable storage medium in order to overcome 35 U.S.C. 101 rejection. Applicant agreed and authorized for an Examiner's Amendment to expedite the prosecution.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Sathyanarayan Pannala
Primary Examiner

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an
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Examiner's signature, if required

Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record

A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews

Paragraph (b)

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

37 CFR §1.2 Business to be transacted in writing.

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The action of the Patent and Trademark Office cannot be based exclusively on the written record in the Office if that record is itself incomplete through the failure to record the substance of interviews.

It is the responsibility of the applicant or the attorney or agent to make the substance of an interview of record in the application file, unless the examiner indicates he or she will do so. It is the examiner's responsibility to see that such a record is made and to correct material inaccuracies which bear directly on the question of patentability.

Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicant's correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:

- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
- Name of applicant
- Name of examiner
- Date of interview
- Type of interview (telephonic, video-conference, or personal)
- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
- An indication whether or not an exhibit was shown or a demonstration conducted
- An identification of the specific prior art discussed
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- 4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
- 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
(The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicant's record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

Examiner to Check for Accuracy

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiner's version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, "Interview Record OK" on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiner's initials.

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MESSAGE

Attached are the following papers for the above-identified application:

1. Statement Summarizing Interview; and
2. Claim Sheet.

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Re: U.S. Application No.: 10/734,262
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STATEMENT SUMMARIZING INTERVIEW

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during the series of telephone interviews concluding on February 28, 2008.

At the conclusion of the interviews, the Examiner indicated that he would confer with his supervisor on the issue of allowance if Claim 5 was amended to recite a "computer readable storage medium" and Claim 6 was amended to correspond to Claims 1 and 5.

Accordingly, Applicants have authorized the Examiner to enter an Examiner's Amendment amending the claims as shown on the attached Claim Sheet.

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CLAIM SHEET

1. (Previously presented) A document processing method executed in a document processing apparatus:
 - (a) first displaying step of displaying a first document file in a display region;
 - (b) inputting step of inputting an insertion instruction to insert at least one second document file into a specified insertion position in the display region using a first or a second inputting method;
 - (c) judging step of judging whether the first or the second inputting method is used for inputting the insertion instruction in said inputting step;
 - (d) first determining step of determining an insertion method for the at least one second document file from a plurality of insertion methods using an attribute of the at least one second document file, when the judging step judges that the first inputting method is used;
 - (e) second displaying step of displaying a menu dialog including a plurality of choices corresponding to the plurality of insertion methods when the judging step judges that the second inputting method is used;
 - (f) second determining step of determining the insertion method for the at least one second document file from the plurality of insertion methods, based on a choice selected from the plurality of choices in the menu dialog; and
 - (g) inserting step of inserting the at least one second document file into the first document file on the basis of the insertion method determined in said first determining step or

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said second determining step;

wherein the plurality of insertion methods include at least a first insertion method in which one chapter is newly generated at the insertion position and the at least one second document file is inserted into the newly generated chapter, and a second insertion method in which the at least one second document file is inserted into an existing chapter at the insertion position.

2. (Cancelled)

2 3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1,

wherein in said second displaying step, the plurality of choices included in the menu dialog are determined based on at least one of the insertion position of the at least one second document file and the number of second document files.

3 4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3,

wherein in said second displaying step, the plurality of choices included in the menu dialog correspond to the first and the second insertion methods and a third insertion method in which chapters for a plurality of second document files are newly generated, when an insertion instruction to insert the plurality of second document files to the first document file using the second inputting method is inputted.

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5. (Currently Amended) A computer-executable program stored on a computer readable storage medium, the program comprising code for making a document processing apparatus execute:
- (a) first displaying step of displaying a first document file in a display region;
 - (b) inputting step of inputting an insertion instruction to insert at least one second document file into a specified insertion position in the display region using a first or a second inputting method;
 - (c) judging step of judging whether the first or the second inputting method is used for inputting the insertion instruction in said inputting step;
 - (d) first determining step of determining an insertion method for the at least one second document file from a plurality of insertion methods using an attribute of the at least one second document file, when the judging step judges that the first inputting method is used;
 - (e) second displaying step of displaying a menu dialog including a plurality of choices corresponding to the plurality of insertion methods when the judging step judges that the second inputting method is used;
 - (f) second determining step of determining the insertion method for the at least one second document file from the plurality of insertion methods, based on a choice selected from the plurality of choices in the menu dialog; and
 - (g) inserting step of inserting the at least one second document file into the first document file on the basis of the insertion method determined in said first determining step or

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said second determining step;

wherein the plurality of insertion methods include at least a first insertion method in which one chapter is newly generated at the insertion position and the at least one second document file is inserted into the newly generated chapter, and a second insertion method in which the at least one second document file is inserted into an existing chapter at the insertion position.

6. (Currently Amended) A document processing apparatus comprising:

a memory unit;

an input device;

a display device; and

a processor coupled to the memory unit, the input device and the display device,

wherein the processor executes a computer-readable program stored in the memory unit, the program comprising code for making the document processing apparatus execute;

(a) first displaying step of displaying a first document file in a display region of the display device;

(b) inputting step of using the input device to insert an insertion instruction to insert at least one second document file into a specified insertion position in the display region using a first or a second inputting method;

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(c) judging step of judging whether the first or the second inputting method is used for inputting the insertion instruction in said inputting step;

(d) first determining step of determining an insertion method for the at least one second document file from a plurality of insertion methods using an attribute of the at least one second document file, when the judging step judges that the first inputting method is used;

(e) second displaying step of displaying on the display device a menu dialog including a plurality of choices corresponding to the plurality of insertion methods when the judging step judges that the second inputting method is used;

(f) second determining step of determining the insertion method for the at least one second document file from the plurality of insertion methods, based on a choice selected from the plurality of choices in the menu dialog; and

(g) inserting step of inserting the at least one second document file into the first document file on the basis of the insertion method determined in said first determining step or said second determining step;

wherein the plurality of insertion methods include at least a first insertion method in which one chapter is newly generated at the insertion position and the at least one second document file is inserted into the newly generated chapter, and a second insertion method in which the at least one second document file is inserted into an existing chapter at the insertion position

wherein the processor reads out a first document file from the memory unit;

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~~displays the first document file on the display device, uses the input device to input an insertion instruction to insert at least one second document file into a specified insertion position on the display device using a first or a second inputting method, judges whether the first or the second inputting method is used for inputting the insertion instruction, determines an insertion method for the at least one second document file from a plurality of insertion methods using an attribute of the at least one second document file in a first determination, when the first inputting method is used, displays, on the display device, a menu dialog including a plurality of choices corresponding to the plurality of insertion methods when the processor judges that the second inputting method is used, determines the insertion method for the at least one second document file from the plurality of insertion methods, based on a choice selected from the plurality of choices in the menu dialog in a second determination, and inserts the at least one second document file into the first document file on the basis of the determined insertion method;~~

~~wherein the plurality of insertion methods include at least a first insertion method in which one chapter is newly generated at the insertion position and the at least one second document file is inserted into the newly generated chapter, and a second insertion method in which the at least one second document file is inserted into an existing chapter at the insertion position.~~

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7. (Previously Presented) The program according to claim 5, wherein
in said second displaying step, the plurality of choices included in the menu dialog are
determined based on at least one of the insertion position of the at least one second document file
and the number of second document files.

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8. (Previously Presented) The program according to claim 7,
wherein in said second displaying step, the plurality of choices included in the
menu dialog correspond to the first and the second insertion methods and a third insertion
method in which chapters for a plurality of second document files are newly generated, when an
insertion instruction to insert the plurality of second document files to the first document file
using the second inputting method is inputted.

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9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 6, wherein when
the processor displays the menu dialog, the plurality of choices included in the menu dialog are
determined based on at least one of the insertion position of the at least one second document
file and the number of second document files.

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10. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 9,
wherein the plurality of choices included in the menu dialog correspond to the
first and the second insertion methods and a third insertion method in which chapters for a

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plurality of second document files are newly generated, when an insertion instruction to insert the plurality of second document files to the first document file using the second inputting method is inputted.

4 11. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3, wherein, if the insertion position specified by using the second inputting method indicates a chapter preceding the first chapter of the first document file that is already displayed in the display region, said second displaying step displays the menu dialog including the first insertion method, otherwise if the insertion position specified by using the second inputting method does not indicate a chapter preceding the first chapter of the first document file that is already displayed in the display region, said second displaying step displays the menu dialog including the first and the second insertion methods.

5 12. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the document processing apparatus comprises:

- a general application;
- an electronic document despooler configured to generate a document file based on application data output from the general application; and
- a bookbinding application configured to display the document file generated by the electronic document despooler.

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14 13. (Previously Presented) The program according to claim 7, wherein, if the insertion position specified by using the second inputting method indicates a chapter preceding the first chapter of the first document file that is already displayed in the display region, said second displaying step displays the menu dialog including the first insertion method, otherwise if the insertion position specified by using the second inputting method does not indicate a chapter preceding the first chapter of the first document file that is already displayed in the display region, said second displaying step displays the menu dialog including the first and the second insertion methods.

15 14. (Previously Presented) The program according to claim 5, wherein the document processing apparatus comprises:
a general application;
an electronic document despooler configured to generate a document file based on application data output from the general application; and
a bookbinding application configured to display the document file generated by the electronic document despooler.

9 15. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein, if the insertion position specified by using the second inputting method indicates a chapter preceding the first chapter of the first document file that is already displayed in the display region, the

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processor displays the menu dialog including the first insertion method, otherwise if the insertion position specified by using the second inputting method does not indicate a chapter preceding the first chapter of the first document file that is already displayed in the display region, the processor displays the menu dialog including the first and second insertion methods.

10 16. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 6, further comprising:

- a general application;
- an electronic document despooler configured to generate a document file based on application data output from the general application; and
- a bookbinding application configured to display the document file generated by the electronic document despooler.

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